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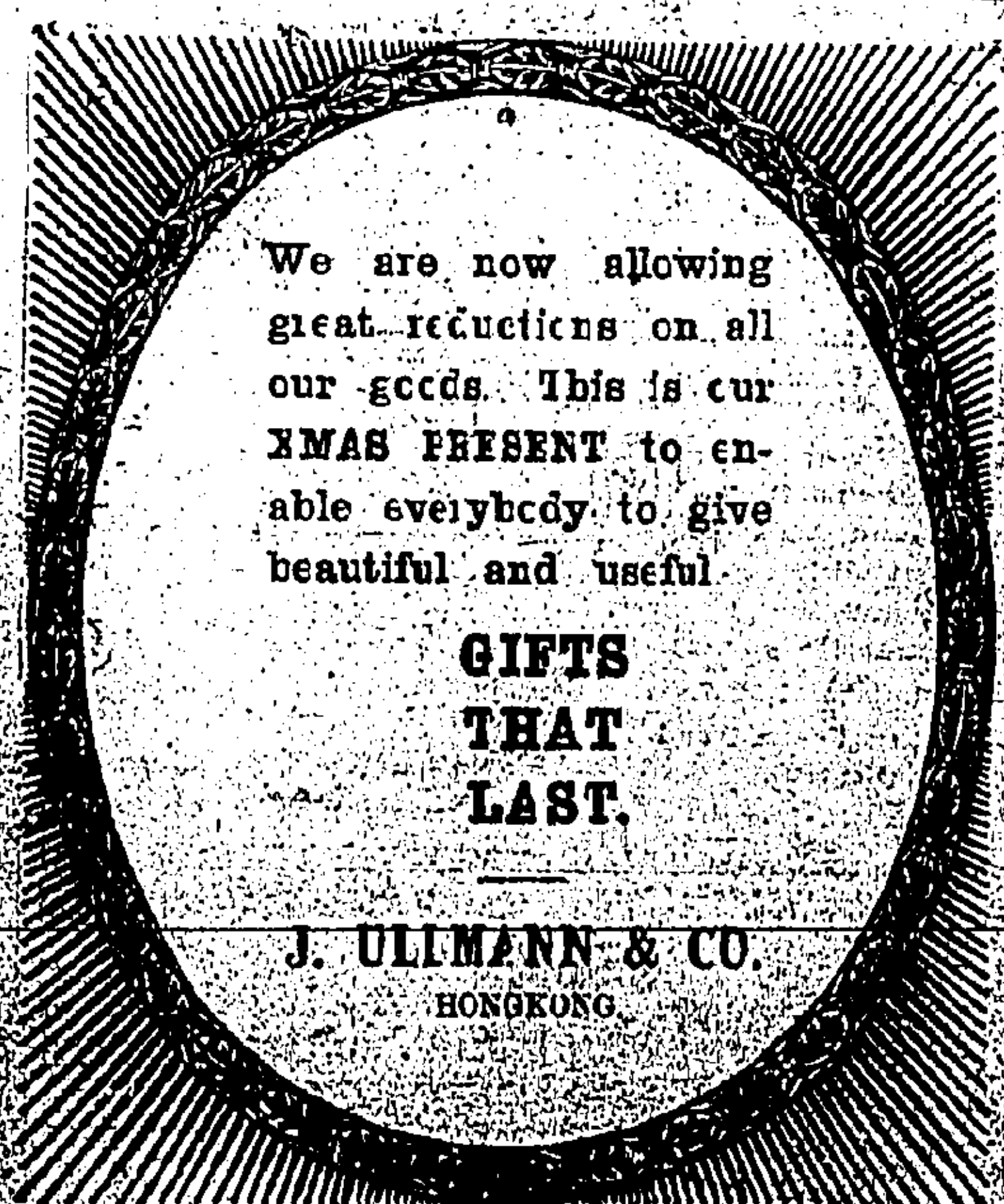
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STRAITS PROBLEM.

THE NEW PROPOSALS.

CHICHERIN'S OBSTRUCTIONIST TACTICS.

LAUSANNE, December 19.
The Russian and Turkish so called counter-proposals in regard to the Straits are not taken seriously. Well-informed circles hold the opinion that M. Chicherin, seeing his proposal to close the Black Sea unsupported anywhere, determined to prevent any other scheme succeeding hence he is demanding a sub commission with a view to pursuing obstructionist tactics but the Allies are determined to refuse.

AN OLD SCHEME REVIVED.

It is pointed out that the Russian proposal is merely a revival of the original Russian scheme with a few additional inducements to Turkey to join. It is hoped that the Turks will recognise this and return to their original attitude of co-operation with the allies for the conclusion of peace. The modifications Turkey proposes have been already disposed of at a meeting of military and naval experts some time ago and no new concession is possible.

DISCUSSION MUST CLOSE TO-DAY.

LAUSANNE, December 19.
The Straits commission adjourned at two in the afternoon. There was no rupture but Earl Curzon made it quite clear that the discussion on the Straits tomorrow must be the last in that regard.

NO MORE ALLIED CONCESSIONS.

LAUSANNE, December 19.
Replying to the Turkish proposal to maintain a garrison of five thousand men in Gallipoli Earl Curzon said the Turks must be content with the concessions already made to them. The Allies had gone to their furthest limit of concessions. It was impossible to accept the Russian plan in regard to the Straits which was diametrically opposed to the Allies plan.

The position is that the allies are completely agreed in regard to the proposed régime in regard to the Straits and absolutely decline to entertain any counter-proposals. The Rumanian and Yugo-Slav delegates spoke strongly in favour of the Allied plan while M. Chicherin urged that his plan was more suitable.

AMERICA AND REPARATION.

"LONG AND DELICATE NEGOTIATIONS."

NEW YORK, December 19.
Mr. J. P. Morgan declared that while he greatly desired to devote himself to the situation (regarding Germany's financial reconstruction) his position had not changed since the bankers' conference in June. His statements strengthen the impression that the President intends to endeavour diplomatically to secure reduction of reparations or fix the limits of Germany's capacity to pay before concerting loan measures. Washington messages represent President Harding as pleased with the newspapers' warm reception of the preliminary stages of what Mr. Hughes described as the beginning of long and delicate negotiations. The next stage is expected to follow Colonel Harvey's arrival while the administration will have a further opportunity for personal contact with a European expert in the person of Mr. Stanley Baldwin who sails for New York on December 27 to negotiate the funding of the British debt to America.

DUBLIN EXECUTIONS.

POSSESSION OF ARMS DISCOURAGED.

LONDON, December 19.
It is officially announced that seven men were executed at Mountjoy prison, Dublin, this morning. They were found in possession of arms when captured in a National's house near O'Connell's last week.

AUSTRALIAN ELECTIONS.

"BILLY" HUGHES NOT WANTED.

MELBOURNE, December 19.
The elections have reached an interesting stage. The Nationalist and Labour parties each now number 23. It is reported from Sydney that the Nationalist and Country Party are negotiating in regard to cooperation and the Country Party are insisting that the nationalists must drop Mr. W. M. Hughes.

NEW SWEDISH MINISTER TO FINLAND.

STOCKHOLM, December 19.
Mr. Rydbeck, the Swedish minister to Turkey, has been transferred to Finland and replaced by Mr. Rydbeck.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/3 13/16.
To-day's opening rate 2/2 13/16.

FASCISTI AGAIN.

TROUBLE AT TURIN.

CLASH WITH COMMUNISTS.

ROME, December 19.
Owing to an attack on the Fascists at Turin on the evening of December 17 wherein two were killed and one wounded the Fascist headquarters have decided to mobilise the Fascists at Turin. They occupied the labour headquarters and hoisted the Italian flag at half-mast. Subsequently the building was burned down also the offices of a Communist newspaper and some Communist clubs. Five Communists were killed and fifteen wounded in the fighting yesterday. The city is now quiet owing to the Government's vigorous measures.

TOO LATE.

ACTION AGAINST P. & O.

DEREAIVED MOTHER'S CLAIM.

LONDON, December 19.
In the Admiralty Division Mr. Justice Hill refused to extend beyond the two years allowed by the Maritime Conventions Act 1911 the time for bringing an action against the Peninsular and Oriental S. N. Company by the mother of one of 400 American soldiers drowned in a collision between the steamers "Otranto" and the P. and O. s.s. "Kashmir" in October 1918 for damages for the loss of her son.

The Judge declared that the plaintiff's ignorance of her legal rights was not a sufficient reason for his exercising his discretion in the matter.

"ORGANISED IMPOTENCE"

CHICHERIN ON LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

LAUSANNE, December 19.
"The League of Nations is organised impotence" said M. Chicherin at the conclusion of a lively passage at arms with Earl Curzon last evening. M. Chicherin had said that the Allied scheme while offering fallacious protection to Turkey allowed free passage in war thus exposing the South coast of Russia to attack and obliging Russia to arm.

EARL CURZON'S REBUKE.

Earl Curzon said he was disappointed at M. Chicherin's spirit and pointed out that Ismet Pasha did not regard the guarantees as illusory and only M. Chicherin discussed aggressive intentions towards Turkey. Earl Curzon emphasised that the Allies desired to render full justice to Russia and said that if M. Chicherin persisted in his view progress would be impossible.

ARMENIAN LABOURERS IN GALLIOLI.

TURKISH ALLEGATIONS DENIED.

CONSTANTINOPLE, December 19.
General Harington has authorised a categorical denial of the allegation of Reouf Bey in regard to Armenian labourers in Gallipoli which he declared was absolutely without foundation. (Speaking in the National Assembly Reouf Bey alleged that Armenian labourers employed by the British were raping Turkish women in Gallipoli.)

PRINCE GEORGE.

OPERATION FOR APPENDICITIS.

LONDON, December 19.
Prince George was operated upon for appendicitis in the King Edward the Seventh Hospital for Officers this morning.

An official bulletin states that Prince George stood the operation for the removal of his appendix well.

CHRISTIANS IN ANATOLIA.

NOT TO BE EVICTED YET.

CONSTANTINOPLE, December 19.
The Ankara Government has decided to extend indefinitely the period in which Christians must leave Anatolia which originally was fixed for this month.

HUTTON STEEL COMPANY FAILS.

LONDON, December 19.
The Times correspondent states that the Hutton Steel Company has failed. The company was one of the largest manufacturers of steel in the West dealing in various grades of steel. It is known that its liabilities are £1,000,000.

BUSINESS NOTICES

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THE Undersigned have received instructions from THE CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, to sell by Public Auction,

THURSDAY,
December 21, 1922, at 2.30 p.m.,
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Police and Fire Departments,
A Quantity of
Condemned and Confiscated
Stores,
Comprising—
Old Boots, Old Iron, Fire Hoses,
Old Rubber Tyres, Ropes, etc., etc.
Terms—Cash on delivery.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers to the Government.
Hongkong, December 16, 1922.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED)

SATURDAY,
December 23, 1922, at 10.45 a.m. at their
Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road,
Corner of Ice House Street.
A large assortment of
Xmas Gifts,
Comprising—
Italian Marble Figures and Ornaments,
Busts, Pedestals, Electric
Lamps, Table Centres, Val. St. Lambert
Table Glass, Wardrobe Trunks, Handbags,
Sait Cases, Electroplated Sweet
Stands, Rugs and Carpets,
etc., etc.
A few lots of Crackers, Toys, etc.
Terms—Cash on delivery.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

FRIDAY

December 22, 1922, at 2.30 p.m.
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
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About 100 lots of
VALUABLE JEWELLERY.
Comprising—
Gents' Gold Watches, Diamond
Rings, Bracelets, Cluster Rings, Bar
Pins, Earrings, Pendants, Handbags,
etc., etc.
A few lots of imitation pearls.
Terms—Cash on delivery.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, December 19, 1922.

INTIMATIONS.

G. H.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

THE New School Year begins on
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3rd,
1923.
There will be a small number of
seats available, and new boys applying
for admission should attend for
examination on **FRIDAY, December**
29th at 9 a.m.
In the case of beginners in English
(who should have done 3 years'
Chinese) preference will be given to
the sons and relatives of Old Boys.
The School Prospectus for 1923
may be obtained on application to
the Clerk.

BERTRAM TANNER,
Head Master.
Hongkong, December 18, 1922.

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INTIMATIONS**HONGKONG BOXING
ASSOCIATION.****SECOND TOURNAMENT OF
THE SEASON.**

Saturday, December 23rd,
at 9.15 p.m.
AT THE
THEATRE ROYAL.

MAIN EVENT.

Fifteen round Contest for the Mid-
dleweight Championship of the Colony
and the Hongkong "Daily Press" Belt.
A. B. Duncan v. **C. P. O. Callaghan**
H.M.S. Magnolia **H.M.S. Titania.**

ALSO

Two Lightweight Contests, One
Featherweight Contest, One Welter-
weight Contest, One Middleweight
Contest, and One Bantamweight
Contest, all of six rounds each.

A Band will play between the
events.
Booking at Moutries.—Members 20th
December, General Public from Decem-
ber 21st.

USUAL PRICES.

NEXT TOURNAMENT—Saturday,
January 27th, at the Theatre Royal.

**HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC
SOCIETY.**

THE members propose to give a
concert at the end of January
or beginning of February, and it is
hoped that the community will give
its wholehearted support to this
effort to revive the Society which has
been inactive for about 10 years.
The charge for admission will be
made as low as possible and full
particulars will be published in the
press later.
Hongkong, December 10, 1922.

**HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC
SOCIETY.**

Choral Section.
There are several vacancies for
Soprano and Alto voices. Will those
interested and willing to assist apply
to the Hon. Secretary Mr. J. A. E.
Bullock, c/o Colonial Secretariat,
from whom all further particulars
can be obtained.

Pacifics: Mondays, 5.15 p.m. at
the Cathedral Hall.
Orchestral Section.

There are vacancies for two Violin-
ists. Applications to be sent to the
Hon. Secretary, Colonial Secretariat.
The first Orchestral Practice will
take place in the Drill Hall, Volunteer
Headquarters, Garden Road, at 5.15
p.m. on Thursday, December 28th.
Hongkong, December 19, 1922.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
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their own pictures. To this agree-
ment they have strictly agreed. There
is, however, one left out of the
original four and he, whose name is
Kriesz, is at present at Singapore,
after having completed about 18,000
miles of the journey ahead.

Mr. Kriesz has been lecturing at
different schools in Singapore on his
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He lost one of his companions in
Australia while walking through the
bush and so lonely was he that
he elected to carry the dead
body of his companion a whole day's
journey before burying him. Mr.
Kriesz has come to Singapore

from Borneo after covering the
Hawaiian Islands, Japan and China,
Philippine Islands, etc. From there
he will continue his walk through the
Malay Peninsula on to Siam, and
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from south to north, thence on to
Colorado, where he will receive his
reward or at least expect it.
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" Roast, —Shiu	24	24	28
" Breast, —Ngau Nam	22	20	18
" Soup, —Tong Yuk	22	20	18
" Steak, —Ngau Yuk Pa	24	24	28
" Steak Sirloin, —Ngau Lau ..	32	30	30
" Sausage, —Ngau Cheung ..	28	24	20
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" Head, —Ngau Tau	1.00	1.00	1.30
" Heart, —Ngau Sam	18	13	14
" Hump, Salt, —Ngau Kin ..	22	20	18
" Feet, —Ngau Kook	18	10	12
" Kidneys, —Ngau Yiu	14	10	12
" Ngau Mei	20	20	23
" Liver, —Ngau Kon	16	13	14
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" Leg, —Young Poi	38	26	25
" Shoulder, —Young Shau ..	34	24	24
" Saddle, —Young On Yuk ..	38	16	—
" Pig's Chittlings, —Chu Cheung ..	38	25	27
"	32	22	12
" Feet, —Chu Kook	16	16	15
" Fry, —Chu Chap	30	16	18
" Head, —Chu Tau	18	20	10
" Heart, —Chu Sam	10	10	10
" Kidneys, —Chu Yiu	10	10	8
" Liver, —Chu Kon	10	30	24
" Pork Chop, —Chu Tai Kwai ..	30	30	23
" Leg, —Chu Poi	30	48	27
" Loin, —Chu Han Tau	18	33	—
" Fat or Lard, —Chu Yau	22	21	—
" Pig's Head and Feet, —Young	—	—	—
"	75	60	70
" Heart, —Young Shau	10	8	7
" Kidneys, —Young Kiu	15	12	10
" Liver, —Young Kiu	26	26	25
" Sucking Pig, to order, —Chu Tai	15	25	31
" Suet, Beef, —Shang Ngau Yau ..	36	20	18
" Mutton, —Shang Young Yau ..	40	26	24
" Veal, —Ngau Tai Yuk	31	20	19
" Sausages, —Ngau Tai Cheung	No. 1 .. lb. 36	—	—

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Broom, -Pin Yu	18	22	20	16
Chauch Fresh Water Fish.....				
Hot Shin Yu	24	18	16	16
Carr, -Li Yu	24	18	27	
Catfish, -Chik Yu	26	12	9	
Codfish, -Man Yu	32	20	25	
Crabs, -Hai.....	40	23	26	
Cuttle Fish, -Muk Yu	16	16	2	
Dih, -Sha Mang Yu	19	23	15	
Diao, -Wong Mel Lap	16	10	9	
Dog Fish, -Tio To Sha	10	10	8	
Eels, Gouger, -Hot Man	16	16	16	
Fresh water, -Tam Shui Yu	26	20	18	
Yellow -Wong Shin	37	23	30	
Frogs, -Tin Kae	42	32	25	
Grouper, -Shok Pan	45	40	39	
Gudgeon, -Pak Kap Yu	16	18	15	
Hairlegs, -To Pak	28	22	18	
Halibut, -Chong Kean Kap.....	16	19	23	
Labrus, -Wong Fa Yu	21	14	22	15
Loach, -Wu Yu	19	40	22	24
Loobotus, -Lung Hu	45	38	31	
Mackerel, -Chai Yu	38	30	26	
Moon Fish, -Mong Yu	34	32	28	
Mullet, -Tui Yu	24	16	2	
Mystus, -Shang Ho	24	16	23	
Parrot Fish, -Kai Kung Yu	28	14	9	
Perch, -Tan Lo	28	20	13	
Pike, -Pa Pan Fong	18	16	9	
Platou, -Fan Yu	40	28	14	
Pomfret, Black, -Hak Chong	35	28	20	
Pomfret, White, Pak Cheung	40	36	30	
Pomfret, -Ming Lo	55	36	45	
Ray, -Pai Pa Sha	10	16	14	
Rock Fish, -Shok Kae Hung	18	12	16	
Roach, -Chun Yu	34	22	16	
Salmou, -Ma Yau	40	36	30	
Shark, -Sha Yu	10	8	16	
Shad, -Fu Yu	19	110	10	
Shrimps, -Ho Yu	45	26	31	
Snapper, -Lap Yu	36	22	36	
Sole, -Tin Sha Yu	26	23	30	
Tench, -Wen Kae	30	23	16	
Turbot, -Ho Han Yu	28	16	2	
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BIRTHS.

TOEG.—On December 14, 1922, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Toeg, a daughter.

HERBERT.—On December 15, 1922, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Herbert, a daughter.

MARSHALL.—On December 15, 1922, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. G. Marshall, a son.

MARRIAGES.

BRITTON-SELLS.—On the 19th December, at St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, Frederick Arthur Britton to Miss Annie Sellars.

ROSS-PARRATT.—At the Peak Church on 19th December 1922, Sydney Hampden Ross of Hongkong to Miss Gertrude Parratt of Ilkley, Yorkshire.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 20, 1922.

THAT IDIOT SWAY.

"Custom makes law." All customs, though, are not good; some are bad, very bad. Consequently there are also bad laws. But bad laws can be ignored or flouted; bad customs rarely—there is almost absolute. "Take the course opposite to custom and you will always do well," said Rousseau, but he who obeys this injunction must possess daring and courage above the average. He must be ready to brave stupid censure and sometimes open hatred; for not only does the unthinking man resent any effort to sweep away inherited customs, but often, too often, reform finds bitter enemies in those whose pockets the change will touch. Only the other day an appeal was made to the Prince of Wales to lead the revolt against the senseless collar which "custom's idiot sway" has decreed for men, but the British Home Secretary quickly discovered that this long overdue reform would damage French industry and France is our ally. This reasoning is utterly

ment of the times," Sir Robert is setting the example by giving the one dinner only and not, so much anticipated charges of parsimony as emphasizing the principle involved, he is devoting the estimated cost of the first day's dinner, some \$3,000, to public benefits, as follows:—\$1,000 to the Kwong Wah Hospital; \$500 to the Confucian Society; and \$1,000 to the St. Stephen's Girls' College Building Fund.

Custom, like habit, as Mark Twain has said, is a guest you cannot fling out of the window, he must be carefully lured downstairs first. Therefore if the full benefit of Sir Robert Ho Tung's courage is to be seen other leading citizens must follow his example and break away from tradition wherever it conflicts with common sense. The smaller man will gladly follow the lead and a custom which fewer and still fewer observe soon ceases to be a custom. This does not mean, of course, that Chinese are to stifle their age-old love of pageantry and display. Just as English life would be much poorer without the quaint old customs which Thomas Hardy describes, so too, would China suffer irreparable loss if many of her historic customs were swept away. These are purely enjoyable and they do not impose hardship. But customs like the one Sir Robert Ho Tung has attacked, customs (as he says) with "nothing to recommend them," these must be swept away—ruthlessly. The Western reader, forgetting the despotism of his own customs, might perhaps consider this matter of a dinner small enough, but let him remember that it has long been sacred in Chinese custom, which is even more despotic, and he will appreciate the significance of the change, its promise for the future.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Col. C. W. Davy, C.M.G., Chief Engineer is going on a trip to Macao.

Mr. Maile, the magician will give a performance at the V.R.O., at 6 p.m., on December 22.

The annual ball of the Hongkong Police will take place on Friday evening (December 22) at the City Hall.

The s.s. "Sardinia" which is carrying mails from the home country is expected in Hongkong at 4 p.m. to-day.

The first of Hugo Stinnes vessels the "Emil Kiroff" arrived in Hongkong yesterday, carrying 54 passengers.

The Police Recreation Club Xmas draw will take place on December 23 at 5.30 p.m., instead of December 22 as previously announced.

The regular monthly meeting of the Marine Engineers' Guild of China will be held at the Guild Office, Sailor's Home, West Point at 5 p.m., to-morrow.

Departures by the "Tenyo Maru" for America included Capt. D. de Lusignan, Lt. H. J. Holroyd, Lt. St. J. Pitt, Lt.-Col. J. R. H. Brooks, Mr. D. Bremer Eddy, Mr. and Mrs. A. Berliogier.

Some excellent pictures were displayed at the Art Club's "at home" in the Helena May Institute yesterday. The water colour studies of Chinese life sent from Wei-hai wei by Mr. K. Jowett were particularly admired.

On the P. & O. ship "Tanda" which arrived in Hongkong yesterday one death is reported; and two Chinese passengers died from tuberculosis while travelling on the "President Jefferson" which also sailed into port yesterday.

Searches by the Indian watchman at the gate of the China Sugar Refinery yesterday afternoon, a collar had a quantity of lead concealed in his girdle. He was produced before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, charged with unlawful possession and sentenced to 21 days' jail.

Using the pretext that they had brought two bottles of wine and a letter from her son, whose name they mentioned, three armed men succeeded in getting a Chinese widow living at No. 45 Stanley village to admit them into the kitchen at 3 p.m. yesterday. Once inside, one of the men seized the old woman roughly by the throat and robbed some liquid into her eyes, while another gagged her with his own hand. Then the robbers entered the living room and breaking open a tin box stole jewellery and money worth \$685.

SIR ROBERT HO TUNG.

YESTERDAY'S BIRTHDAY FECE.

CONGRATULATORY SPEECHES.

OVER 1,000 GUESTS.

Sir Robert Ho Tung entertained well over a thousand guests at his "At Home" birthday celebration yesterday afternoon. It was an occasion when all the prominent Europeans and Chinese of Hongkong assembled together to congratulate Sir Robert on attaining the age of 61 years.

When the festive touch had been applied "Idlewild" became a veritable fairy land, the real house itself being hidden away beneath a wide expanse of dazzling colour. The preparations were indeed of such a magnitude that the lawn of "Idlewild" was cut away, and trees uprooted in order to erect the huge theatre in which the happy celebration took place. While the guests were partaking of tea, a Chinese theatrical troupe expressed the sentiment of congratulation, in a Chinese play while at intervals appropriate music was rendered by the band of the King's Own Regiment.

THE GUESTS.

Prominent guests who attended the "At Home" were:—Sir Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G., Sir Arthur, Lady and the Misses Leveson, Sir John and Lady Fowler, Sir William Rees Davies, Sir William and Lady Brunsford, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Hallifax, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Lang, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Parr, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stephen, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Chow Shou-son, Hon. Mr. Ng Hon-try, Hon. Dr. and Mrs. Severn, Hon. Mr. Pollock, The Right Rev. The Bishop of Victoria, The Right Rev. Bishop Pozzani, Hon. Mr. Mrs. and the Misses Irving, Hon. Mr. Messer, Mrs. Perkins, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Kemp, Consul and Mrs. W. H. Gale, Consul and Mrs. P. Kremer, Consul Takahashi, Commodore Mrs. and the Misses Grace, Captain Alan Peachey, Mr. Eric Rice, Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. M. Bernard, Mrs. Bullock, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Braga, Mr. R. E. O. Bird, Mr. Ma and Miss C. de Albuquerque e Castro, Colonel Davy, C. M. G., Mr. G. T. Edkins, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. M. Fletcher, Mr. Penobly Fane, Dr. and Mrs. Harston, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hall, Mr. C. E. D. Melbourne, Colonel Nicholson, C. M. G., Father Robert, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Shenton, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wood, Mr. A. R. Wood, Capt. Warner, Mr. and Mrs. H. Taggart, Mr. P. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Cameron, Hon. Mr. Justice Gompertz, Mr. Chan Wing Kai, representative of the Civil Governor of Kwongtung, Mr. and Mrs. Noyes, Mrs. Bigden, Mrs. and Miss Heywood.

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES.

After tea fitting speeches of congratulation were delivered and interpreted for the Chinese guests by Mr. R. H. Kotewall.

Among the many congratulatory messages was an autograph letter and an honorific tablet brought by Mr. S. P. Hung, from Mr. Li Yuen Hung, president of China, who also presented Sir Robert with the First Class Chio Ho (or Order of the Excellent Crop) with Sash. Telegrams of congratulation were received from H. E. Chan Chik yue, Civil Governor of Kwangtung, H. E. Alfred Sze, Chinese Minister to Washington, H. E. Wellington Koo, Chinese Minister to London, H. E. Qiang Yung pao, Chinese Minister to Japan, H. E. Wang King ky, Chinese Minister to Belgium, John Johnston, Esq., Managing Director of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Company, Mr. Lew-yuk-lin, Commissioner, Canton.

THE SPEECHES.

His Excellency said:—Ladies and gentlemen, I want to say a few words on this auspicious occasion not only on behalf of the many guests here to-day but also on behalf of the community in general. Sir Robert Ho Tung is celebrating his sixty-first birthday to-day and we desire to congratulate him and Lady Ho Tung very cordially on this event. We desire also to congratulate ourselves because we have had Sir Robert with us for so long and we all know how to appreciate his value. Sir Robert is able to look back on many very full years and very prosperous years; we know he has shared his prosperity with the Colony and we can always rely on him to assist those less fortunately placed than himself. His good work is always associated with any good work that requires to be done—charitable or educational, or with assistance to the Government in such matters as the development of the resources of the Colony. I think his name will be associated in the future most closely with the advance in education of recent years.

The Colony is indebted to him first for the Kowloon British School and secondly for the many charitable benefactions to the University to which, I am right in saying, he is the largest benefactor, having given well over a quarter of a million dollars. It is a great pleasure to us to be able to congratulate and do honour to a man who knows how to use his resources of intellect and wealth so well; and I speak for all of you when I say that we wish him many more years of prosperity and happiness." (Applause)

Mr. S. P. Hung, made a short speech which was interpreted into English by Mr. R. H. Kotewall as follows: "I have been deputed by President Li Yuen-hung to be the bearer of an honorific tablet and an autograph letter of congratulation to Sir Robert Ho Tung upon this happy occasion of his sixty-first birthday. On behalf of the President I congratulate Sir Robert and in handing him this letter I wish him the best of health, long life and all blessings."

AN OLD FRIEND.
The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock said: "I am very pleased to have the privilege of speaking here to-day because I think I may claim to be one of the oldest friends amongst the European community of Sir Robert Ho Tung. When I first made his acquaintance here nearly 30 years ago he had not got the grey hair on his forehead as he has now (laughter). I am happy to state that he retains two things which are of very great advantage not only to himself but also to this Colony. The first is his useful and vigorous mind and the second is a thorough and complete belief in the future prosperity of Hongkong." (Applause)

The present happy occasion of Sir Robert entering upon the seventh decade of his life is naturally a very important one from the Chinese point of view; and I am privileged to be able to announce to you this afternoon that in honour of this lucky event Lady Ho Tung has very kindly promised to give a "Doys" Home and to endow and maintain it. As President of the Hong Kong Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, I may say we welcome this generous gift not only for the relief which it will afford to the dumb animals of this Colony but also owing to the fact that it will set an example, which we hope will be followed by the Chinese of the Colony, of humanity towards animals." (Applause)

The speeches by His Excellency and Mr. Pollock were interpreted into Chinese by Mr. R. H. Kotewall.

His Excellency then proposed the toast of Sir Robert which was enthusiastically honoured.

SIR ROBERT'S RESPONSE.
In reply Sir Robert Ho Tung said: Your Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen, I thank you all most sincerely for the hearty and cordial manner in which you have received the toast so kindly proposed by His Excellency the Governor, whose presence here to-day is very gratifying to me and highly appreciated by me and my family. When a man reaches the age of three score and one, he is apt to make an appreciation, as I do to-day of his past achievements and failures. It is with thankfulness that I look back upon nearly half a century of a working life which, though beset from time to time with difficulties, disappointments and struggles, has been brightened with family happiness, loyal friendship and the consciousness of some useful work done. It was my intention to have this day celebrated in a quiet manner, but the members of my family insisted upon doing the thing on a more elaborate scale, so as to have the friends of the family to share with us our great joy. Although I am entering upon my sixty-first year I am in a way stronger than what I have been for the past few years. (Applause)

CHARITABLE DONATIONS.
My health has had several serious breakdowns, but, by the grace of God and the solicitous care of the members of my family, I recovered each time. (Applause) In token of thanksgiving I have decided to give a sum of \$100,000 for founding an industrial school for poor children. (Applause)—if I should be fortunate enough to obtain from the Government an undertaking to grant a suitable site for it and to maintain it. In the alternative, I propose to devote that sum to the establishment of several vocational free schools in different parts of the Colony for giving the children of the poor at least an elementary education. Further, I will, as long as I live, give an entertainment at each anniversary of my birth to the poor orphans of the Italian and French Convents, the inmates of the Blind Homes, the Home for the Aged at Kowloon Tong, the Home for the Infirm and Aged at Wanatani, the Victoria Home, and the Old People's Home in Kowloon City.

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CANTON FINANCES.

FEELING OF PESSIMISM.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, Dec. 20.
Canton's paper currency has depreciated further during the last few days. The usual financial stringency prior to a festival, (one of the four Chinese settling-days), has naturally added to the depression. But this is not the only cause. New series of notes have appeared and this has meant a severe loss of prestige to the Government, who have hitherto announced that it was their aim to curtail and redeem the issue. A drawing of notes deposited with the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank for redemption; previously announced for the 15th has been postponed till to-day.

The public conjectures that this postponement is due to the Bank insisting on receiving \$300,000 in silver before the draw, as agreed to when the notes were deposited. It is felt that the Provincial Treasury has not the required funds and this has led to further loss of confidence. The notes are now quoted at about 35 per cent, a low value only once previously recorded, when Tsohuu Lung Chai-kwong refused to recognize the issue. A feeling of pessimism prevails and still lower values are predicted.

BOMB IN CANTON.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, December 20.
A bomb exploded outside the Mayoral offices at about 10.30 a.m. yesterday. Nobody was injured but considerable excitement followed the explosion. Armed posse of police were rushed to the Municipal buildings to protect the officials. Beyond causing the pedestrians to scatter and the residents in the neighbourhood to be alarmed, not much notice was taken of it. The Police declared it to be merely a smoke bomb, but a wall of the fruit market was loosened by the concussion.

CHINESE MATINEE IDOL.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOOT HIMSELF.

The matinee idol of the Hongkong Canton stage, Lai Jan, whose stage name is Leng Jan, the first character meaning "hand-axe," has met with an untimely end.

While examining a Mauser in Canton, he accidentally shot himself in the hip a few days ago; as the bullet was an explosive one complications set in and he was removed to the Dummer Hospital where he died on Sunday night.

In August, he was implicated in a fine of \$50 here, for unlawful possession of a pistol, being arrested while crossing the harbour at night. He was 29 years of age, and had established a big reputation on the China stage.

COPYRIGHT DISPUTE.

BOOKSELLERS AT LAW.

A firm of Chinese book-sellers summoned a rival firm before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning for having sold two books which had been registered in Hongkong as the complainants' copyright.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ who appeared for the complainants said that as the result of a meeting between the parties and other book-sellers, an agreement had been come to with regard to the selling of locally registered books. The agreement had not yet been signed, but Mr. Russ thought it would be soon. He therefore asked for a week's remand.

The remand was granted.

CORRESPONDENCE.

S.P.C.A.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir,—It has been brought to the notice of this Society that it is a common practice amongst servants to kill turkeys by cutting out their tongues and letting them bleed gradually to death. It is therefore hoped that all Members of the Foreign population will keep a watch over their servants during the approaching festive season, with a view to preventing such cruelty, and will also see that their servants are supplied with baskets for the conveyance of poultry from the markets to their homes.

Thanking you in anticipation for inserting this in your paper. Yours

B. L. Frost, Hon. Secretary S.P.C.A.

BAKERS' STRIKE.

CLOSING OF THE GUILD.

CHINESE PRESS COMMENT.

Commenting on the Hongkong Government's closing of the Hip Tsun (Bakers) Guild, the Hongkong Kung Po, which claims to be the organ of the workmen, makes a suggestion to the authorities, and at the same time advises the working classes to keep within the limits of the law.

It says that the government has given a good reason for declaring the guild an unlawful society, i.e., being used for purposes incompatible with the peace and good order of the Colony. According to reports in the press, nothing illegal was seized on the guild's premises. Although the government's notification is laudic and explicit it does not set forth what the guild has done to render it an unlawful society.

The Kung Po points out that all labour guilds must submit their prospectuses to the authorities before they can be registered. They must, necessarily, have no illegal purposes before their inauguration is sanctioned. The Hip Tsun is a registered guild and the Government's decision must have been caused by the guild's actions. It goes on to say that there is no legislation to define to what spheres labour unions must confine their activities. "Since there is no specific road for the working man to follow, he can easily be confused by the maze of roads confronting him." Well knowing that the Hongkong government has the interests of the working classes at heart it hopes that the authorities will put into effect the necessary legal machinery to enable the guilds to know what laws they will have to obey.

Finally the Kung Po states that conditions nowadays necessitate workmen acting in union and is confident that the authorities will recognize this.

MEETING THIS AFTERNOON.

The Secretary for Chinese Affairs (the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax) is to meet representatives of the bakers this afternoon and there closely in touch with the dispute are hopeful that the conference may mean a step forward towards settlement of the trouble.

FIREWOOD SUPPLIES.

A FRESH TAX.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Wuchow, December 20.
Reports have been made from time to time regarding export levies on livestock and poultry leaving Wuchow. Firewood has now received the attention of the Wuchow authorities. This does not mean that the Chin as fuel has been exempt from taxes and is just coming under official control. Hitherto five different levies have been made on firewood and the latest innovation, known as the firewood bureau tax, has just been inaugurated by the Wuchow authorities.

Hongkong and Canton are dependent on the Ming Kong, Pak Low and Chin Ping districts in Kwang for firewood. There the local authorities collect 8 mace (about \$1.10) for every 10,000 catties felled to the ground. If shipped to Wuchow, another 8 mace have to be paid to the Native Customs for every 10,000 catties. Then the Firewood Guild must be paid 8 per cent, assessed according to value. The Wuchow authorities require the sum of \$1,500 annually from the firewood merchants, as a contribution to police, educational and agricultural expenses. All firewood leaving Wuchow is taxed 8 mace per 10,000 catties, this coming under the export tax. Just recently, a firewood bureau has been created and it has been authorized to collect 2 candareens (about 3 cents) per 100 catties.

Dealers in Hongkong and Canton regard this as the last straw. Times are bad and prices are high. Owing to continual molestation from bandits shipments are irregular and what does get through has invariably been subjected to a "safe conduct" levy from the robbers and the military. Firewood is sold at about 50 catties to the \$1 for better qualities and 60/70 catties per \$1 for poorer qualities.

"SUI AN" PIRATES.

A FRUITLESS SEARCH.

According to reports in the vernacular press, Chinese soldiers surrounded a small village in Wuchow believed to be the domicile of a number of the "Sui An" pirates. A thorough search was made but no people were found. The women explained that all the men in the village were soldiers and were "earning" livelihoods beyond the seas. One or two families, since removed, are suspected of having a malignant passion for some of the loot.

NEW TERROR.

ANOTHER FEMALE ROBBER.

YOUNG WOMAN LEADS GANG.

Another armed robbery in which a woman is said to have led a gang of armed men is reported from Wanchai.

According to Mrs. Marques of No. 98 Wanchai Road, ground floor, the robbery occurred at 9.15 p.m. She was sitting in her bedroom with her children when she heard a commotion in the kitchen. Six armed men, headed by a woman, entered through the back door. One of the men immediately rushed through the corridor and stood guard at the front door. Another locked the back door. The two women were quickly overpowered and bound and gagged. Then while one man guarded them, the other four followed the female leader into the corridor. The men stood outside Mrs. Marques' bedroom door while the women entered. Taking no notice of Mrs. Marques' presence in the room, the women opened the wardrobe and helped her to put on a dress. Then they took her to a room where they kept her. Mrs. Marques says the female robber was a young woman, aged about 20 years.

MORE CANTON FIRES

WATER SHORTAGE PROBLEM.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, Dec. 20. Two more devastating fires have occurred in Canton. Both took place at the same hour on Monday night and in a short time a large number of houses were burnt down. At Wenzho, near the fish market, over eighty houses were destroyed and at Tai Sun Street in the New City, over twenty houses were gutted. The Fire-Brigade could do little to cope with the outbreaks as there was hardly any water for the engines. First reports give the amount of insurance involved as in the vicinity of \$500,000. What caused the fires has not yet been ascertained.

A sweetmeat shop in Tin Ping Street was partly destroyed by fire on Monday. The outbreak occurred early in the evening and was successfully dealt with by the fire-fighters. The Western Suburb's supply of water is cut off every night after eleven o'clock. In view of the recent fires, the Kaifong has protested against this on the ground that the water is absolutely essential for dealing with outbreaks.

RICSHA UPSET.

COURT INTERPRETER'S
CLOSE SHAVE.

Mr. Ng Chak Wing, first interpreter at the Supreme Court, narrowly escaped serious injury this morning. At the junction of Des Voeux Road and Wardsley Street, the ricksha in which he was seated came into violent contact with a motor car owned by Mr. Raven, the architect.

The ricksha was immediately overturned and Mr. Ng fell heavily to the ground. Luckily he received nothing more than a severe shaking, while the ricksha coolie was slightly bruised.

TO-DAY'S
ADVERTISEMENTS

MARINE ENGINEERS' GUILD OF
CHINA.
Hongkong Branch.

THE Regular Monthly Meeting will be held at the Guild Office, Seaside House, TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), 21st instant at 5 o'clock P.M.

IMPORTANT BUSINESS.
W. J. STOKES,
Branch Secretary.
Hongkong, December 20, 1922.

G. R.
PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction 8a.m. to be held on WEDNESDAY, the 27th day of December, 1922, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by order of His Excellency the Governor of an Lot of CROWN LAND at Shau-Keiwan in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King for one further term of 75 years.

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2	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 2	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 2	1.00
3	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 3	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 3	1.00
4	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 4	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 4	1.00
5	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 5	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 5	1.00
6	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 6	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 6	1.00
7	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 7	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 7	1.00
8	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 8	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 8	1.00
9	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 9	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 9	1.00
10	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 10	1.00	100 ft. x 100 ft.	Shau-Keiwan	Lot 10	1.00

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

RIND REVOLT.

MORE DEATH SENTENCES.

JOHANNESBURG, December 19.

The remaining three persons tried on charges arising out of the attack on the Brakpan mine during the Rand revolt received death sentences. The Court strongly hoped that the Governor-General would reprieve them.

NEW DUTCH LOAN.

THE HAGUE, December 19.

A bill authorising a State loan of 350,000,000 florins for the consolidation of the floating debt was passed by the second chamber.

M.C.C. IN SOUTH AFRICA.

JOHANNESBURG, December 19.

Transvaal's match against the M.C.C. was drawn. The M.C.C. scored 119 without losing a wicket, Russell and Sandham contributing 77 and 41 respectively. Rain fell during lunch and there was no further play.

POISON DRINK

15 INMATE CASES A WEEK
AT CHICAGO.

The inhabitants of Chicago are going mad at the rate of 150 cases weekly. The increase in insanity is described by Dr. James Whitely Hall, chairman of the Medical Commission on Insanity, as alarming. He attributes it entirely to the consumption of poisonous alcoholic concoctions sold as beverages by violators of the prohibition laws.

Before the advent of prohibition, according to the Commission, between 60 and 70 cases were admitted each week to Chicago hospitals. Now, under prohibition, the hospitals devoted to mental diseases are crowded beyond their capacity. Patients are

sleeping on the floors and in improvised beds in storerooms, linen rooms, and attics.

Dr. Hall declares that the "victim of alcoholic liquor before prohibition to care for himself, his wife, or his family, was unkempt and, in fact a wastrel. But the present-day victim presents a far more terrible spectacle. He becomes a marionette in a train wrecker or a housebreaker. He assaults innocent women and children. In many cases he dies from the effect of the drink. In others he goes blind or insane and cannot be cured. It is a peculiar pathology, entirely different from what we had before the wholesale distribution of wood alcohol or other rank poison."

Dr. Hall's conclusion is based on written reports by a staff of specialists on mental diseases who have examined 73,601 cases of insanity.

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SATURDAY, Dec. 30th, 9.15 p.m.
MONDAY, Jan. 1st (New Year's Day), 9.15 p.m.
TUESDAY, Jan. 2nd, 9.15 p.m.

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TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

NOTICE.

MEMBERS and their friends are informed that Mr. MERLE, the famous magician, will give a performance at the above Club at 6 p.m., on FRIDAY, December 22.

Admission \$1.

A. McKIRDY,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 20, 1922.

NOTICE.

THE POLICE RECREATION CLUB
XMAS DRAW will take place on SATURDAY December 23rd at 5.30 p.m. and not as stated on the tickets FRIDAY December 22nd.
Hongkong, December 20, 1922.

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Dec. 28 - E.A. Buitang.
FROM MANILA.
Jan. 4 - J.S.B.B. West Ivan.
20 - U.S.S.B. Bearport.
FROM JAV.
Dec. 21 - J.O.J.L. Tjandari.
Jan. 4 - U.S.S.B. Bearport.
FROM SINGAPORE.
Jan. 4 - U.S.S.B. West Ivan.
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FROM CALCUTTA.
Dec. 22 - N.Y.K. Ceylon Maru.
Jan. 5 - N.Y.K. Akita Maru.
FROM BOMBAY.
Dec. 22 - N.Y.K. Moji Maru.
FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
Dec. 22 - N.Y.K. Empress of Asia.
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FROM NEW YORK.
Feb. 4 - B.F. Telomachus.
FROM VANCOUVER.
Dec. 22 - C.P. Empress of Asia.
Jan. 5 - B.F. Empress of Canada.
FROM SEATTLE.
Dec. 22 - B.F. Empress of Asia.
Jan. 5 - B.F. Empress of Canada.
FROM LOS ANGELES.
Dec. 22 - U.S.S.B. West Ivan.
Jan. 5 - U.S.S.B. Bearport.
FROM SAN FRANCISCO.
Dec. 22 - P.M. West Ivan.
Jan. 5 - U.S.S.B. Bearport.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS
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Dec. 21 - B.F. Empress of Asia.
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Dec. 21 - B.F. Empress of Asia.
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Dec. 21 - B.F. Empress of Asia.
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Dec. 21 - B.F. Empress of Asia.
Jan. 5 - B.F. Empress of Canada.
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Passengers will be received at this Office until Noon, the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.
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N. LUND, Act. Superintendent.
Hongkong, December 14, 1922.

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Haiphong via Hanoi	CHUNANG	21st Dec. 10 a.m.
Bangkok via Hanoi	CHUNANG	21st Dec. 10 a.m.
Yokohama via Swatow & Shanghai	CHUNANG	21st Dec. 10 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow & Shanghai	CHUNANG	21st Dec. 10 a.m.
Yokohama via Swatow & Shanghai	CHUNANG	21st Dec. 10 a.m.
Yokohama via Swatow & Shanghai	CHUNANG	21st Dec. 10 a.m.
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KITANO MARU ... Wednesday, 20th Dec., at 11 a.m.
HARUNA MARU ... Wednesday, 27th Jan., at 11 a.m.
HAMBURG VIA LONDON, ROTTERDAM.
MIYAZAKI MARU ... Middle of January.
LIVERPOOL VIA VALENCIA, MARSEILLE, ES.
TSURUGA MARU ... Tuesday, 26th Dec.
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TANGO MARU ... Tuesday, 19th Dec., at 11 a.m.
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KAMAKURA MARU ... Wednesday, 27th December.
MURORAN MARU ... Sunday, 31st December.
JALOUTTA via Singapore, Penang and Hongkong.
CEYLON MARU ... Saturday, 23rd December.
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MOJI MARU ... Friday, 29th December.
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FOOTBALL.
UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

Five matches are down for decision to-day in connection with the above league—

DIVISION I.
Tamar v. Ambrose, Navy "A" ground.
R.G.A. v. Titania, Sookumpoo "A" ground.
Kick-off at 4.15 p.m.

DIVISION II.
Foxglove v. R.G.A., Navy "A" ground.
King's v. Magnolia, Sookumpoo "A" ground.
Hawkins v. Durban, Navy "B" ground.
Kick-off at 2.45 p.m.

HONGKONG LEAGUE.

TO MORROW'S MATCHES.

The following matches in the above league will be played off to-morrow—
Titania v. Durban, St. Joseph's ground.
Hawkins v. Auxiliaries, Navy "A" ground.
Police v. Marazion, H.K. Club ground.
Kick-off at 4.15 p.m.

HONGKONG LEAGUE.
(Tables up to December 15.)

DIVISION I.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Against
King's Regt.	10	8	1	1	24	4	17
Club	11	7	3	1	22	9	16
Hawkins	9	5	1	3	18	8	13
Ambrose	11	6	5	1	14	14	12
South China	11	5	5	1	19	15	11
Tamar	10	4	3	3	13	11	11
Kowloon	9	4	4	1	12	15	9
R.G.A.	9	2	6	1	12	20	5
Durban	7	2	4	1	7	14	5
Titania	5	1	3	1	8	10	3
Despatch	4	1	2	1	7	9	3
Carlisle	4	1	3	0	5	11	2
Police	8	0	6	2	4	23	2

DIVISION II.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Against
King's Regt.	8	8	0	0	34	1	16
Hawkins	8	8	0	0	32	7	16
St. Joseph's	6	6	0	0	25	2	12
South China	6	5	0	1	17	4	11
R.G.A.	8	5	2	1	19	12	11
United	8	4	2	2	14	10	10
Kowloon	7	3	4	0	14	16	6
Ambrose	7	3	4	0	9	13	6
Titania	6	3	3	0	9	14	6
Marazion	5	2	2	1	10	9	5
South China	7	2	4	1	8	21	5
University	5	2	3	0	10	13	4
Durban	5	1	4	0	6	18	2
Police	1	1	6	0	4	19	2
Despatch	2	0	2	0	2	6	0
Carlisle	4	0	4	0	4	12	0
Wardens	7	0	7	0	4	20	0
Fleet Aux.	6	0	6	0	2	17	0

ARMY v. NAVY.

The undernamed have been selected to represent the Army to meet the Royal Navy on New Year's Day, on Sookumpoo Ground—Sgt. Townsend (R.E.) Gun. Henwood, (R.G.A.) L/Cpl. Wyne (King's) Sgt. Newton. (King's) Pre Hodgson (King's) Gun. Lint, (R.G.A.) Pte. Williams, (King's) C.Q.M.S. Burnett, (King's) L/Cpl. Dyer (King's) Gun. Couzens, (R.G.A.) Lieut. Jones (King's) Capt. Reserves—Back, Gun. Frampton, (R.G.A.) Half Back, L/Cpl. Barlow, (King's) Gun. Bailey, (R.G.A.) Forwards, Gun. Harris, (R.G.A.) O.S.M. Pearson, (R.E.)

Army bad as will be presented to the team at the conclusion of the match.

GARRISON LEAGUE.
(Table to Dec. 15.)

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.	Goals For	Goals Against
B Co. King's	7	5	2	0	14	9	10
D Co. King's	7	4	2	1	9	2	9
C Co. King's	6	2	1	3	14	4	9
A Co. King's	6	2	1	3	12	7	9
89 Co. R.G.A.	7	3	2	2	8	10	7
84 Co. R.G.A.	6	1	2	3	6	7	7
58 Co. R.G.A.	6	1	2	3	4	5	5
R.E.	5	0	5	0	5	25	0

SANITARY BOARD.
IMPORTATION OF ANIMALS.

PROPOSED NEW BYE-LAWS.

At the fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday afternoon, the Chairman, Mr. G. B. Sayer, announced that Dr. W. V. M. Koch's motion "that the rural districts of the Colony be brought under the administration of the Sanitary Department" had been deferred to a subsequent meeting.

The only other business of importance before the meeting was the proposed adoption of bye-laws regulating the importation of animals into the Colony.

The Chairman, in proposing the adoption of the bye-laws, said that he had circulated the proposals which dealt with the importation of animals and he noticed that the members agreed to their adoption. Before the motion was put to the meeting he would like to mention the main points of the proposals. They were general amendments relating to the importation, segregation, and general control of animals imported into the Colony. The amendments were the result of a promise made by him to the Board some months ago. The differences were: first, that it was proposed to include horses. Up to the present time existing regulations did not cover horses at all. They only covered cattle, swine and sheep. Although the importation of horses into the Colony was not large, a considerable amount of harm had been brought to the notice of the Board. There had been two separate outbreaks of glanders and it was clearly necessary that there should be some control over horses.

The actual proposals were that no animal (with included horses) should be imported without the permission of the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon. On importation each animal would be placed in quarantine. The Colonial Veterinary Surgeon would have power to keep any animal in quarantine, without any reason given, for a period of six months, if necessary. The actual period would depend on the nature of the proof given by the importer as to the freedom of the animal from disease.

In regard to horses, before a horse would be released from quarantine, it would have to undergo a mallein test, which was a test to show whether a horse had glanders or not. That test would be taken here unless a very satisfactory certificate from the country of origin was handed in to show that the horse had been successfully tested.

These new regulations would apply to all other animals, except in the case of animals brought in for immediate slaughter, so that the proposals would not affect the food supplies of the Colony in any way; although an animal, brought in for immediate slaughter, was liable to be segregated as was the present rule.

Mr. S. W. Teo seconded the motion. Dr. F. M. G. Ozorio said that he would like to ask two questions regarding the mallein test. Speaking generally, the ponies kept in Hongkong were valuable as forming part of race horse studs. He wished to know if the ponies would be affected by the test which they would have to undergo; and, also whether any fee for the test would be made.

Dr. W. V. Pearce said the mallein test would not affect the ponies seriously. The effects of the test soon passed off.

Replying to Dr. Ozorio's second point, the Chairman said the question as to the actual fee had not been settled.

The motion was carried. This concluded the meeting.

The members present at the meeting were: The Chairman (Mr. G. B. Sayer), Mr. S. W. Teo, Dr. Ozorio, the Medical Officer of Health (Dr. W. V. Pearce) and the Secretary of the Board (Mr. J. B. Fraser).

LAWN BOWLS.
INTERNATIONAL MATCH.

ENGLAND v. SCOTLAND.

The above interesting match has been arranged for December 31, on the Taikoo bowling green.

The teams will be as follows:—

ENGLAND.
G. R. Edwards (skip), A. Pile, C. Pathayjohn, H. Overy.
SCOTLAND.
J. Parkes (skip), W. Hedley, J. Cornley, H. E. Stevens.
A Hamilton (skip), C. J. Tacchi, W. Eldridge, T. Grimshaw.
H. Stanley (skip), F. Fisher, A. O. Brown, O. Grimes.
W. Fincher (skip), R. Lapsley, W. Hill, A. B. Allen.
Reserves: C. Sara, R. Nicholls and F. G. Herridge.

SCOTLAND.
R. Wallace (skip), J. Clark, D. Templeton, D. Gow.
W. Russell (skip), E. Harvey, A. O. Lang, J. Russell.
W. Gerard (skip), J. McLachlan, D. K. Blair, D. Keith.
J. Ferguson (skip), N. Drummond, R. M. Dyer, J. Gibson.
W. Wotherpoon (skip), J. Grant, Dr. C. Forsyth, J. Reid.
Reserves: S. Grey, G. Morrison and J. Mair.

Play starts at 2.30 p.m., teams meeting in the order given above.

"THE STORM."
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TAILORS' STRIKE SETTLED.

Through the good offices of Mr. Ip Lan chuen, the secretary of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, an agreement has been reached between the Chinese master tailors and the Tailors' Guild. The workmen have been asking for higher wages and this was granted yesterday when all existing rates were increased by thirty per cent.

As most of the workmen refused work during the negotiations, it is anticipated that business will now be exceptionally brisk.

"THREE MUSKETEERS."

So realistic is the duelling which occurs in every few feet of the film version of the "Three Musketeers" which is being shown at the Coronet all this week that you seem almost to be able to hear the clash of steel. One of the most exciting bits of the whole picture is undoubtedly D'Artagnan's sensational dash across the Channel to rescue the Queen's jewels from the fascinatingly formidable Milady de Winter. Douglas Fairbanks, who has incidentally been responsible for the production of the film plays the part of the hot-blooded hero in convincing style.

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Wanli, (Yuen Seng Fat) from Macao.—O.38.
Hydranges (Chin Op) from Swatow.—Co's Wharf.
President Jefferson (Ad. Line) from Seattle, Shanghai—Kowloon Wharf.
Tanda, (B.I.S.N.) from Calcutta, Singapore.—Kowloon Wharf.
Hosei Maru, (M.B.K.) from Milko.—Wanchai.
Chihli, (B. & S.) from Pukow.—C20.
Chusan, (B. & S.) from Swatow.—C37.
Royal Arrow, (St. O.) from Los Angeles.—Laichikok.
Tibodas (J.C.J.L.) from Balikpapan.—A10.
Hin Sang, (J. M. & Co.) from Sandakan.—Kowloon Wharf.
Liangchow, (B. & S.) from Canton.—C21.

DEPARTURES.

Paranang, (Chau Yu Teng) for Swatow.—Dec. 20.
Kaiping, (Ying Koo) for Haiphong, Hoihow.—Dec. 20.
Linan, (B. & S.) for Bangkok.—Dec. 20.
President Jefferson, (Admiral Line) for Manila.—Dec. 20.
Newchwang, (B. & S.) for Shanghai.—Dec. 20.
Royal Arrow, (St. O.) for San Francisco, Saigon.—Dec. 20.
Tijilwong (J.C.I.L.) for Batavia, Mantuk.—Dec. 20.
Chihli, (B. & S.) for Canton.—Dec. 20.
Chusan, (B. & S.) for Canton.—Dec. 20.
Kwai Wah, (Wai Hing & Co.) for Taurane.—Dec. 21.
Kojun Maru, (M. B. K.) for Dairen, Tsingtao.—Dec. 21.
Soochow, (B. & S.) for Shanghai, Amoy.—Dec. 21.

CRICKET.
TRIANGULAR TOURNEY.

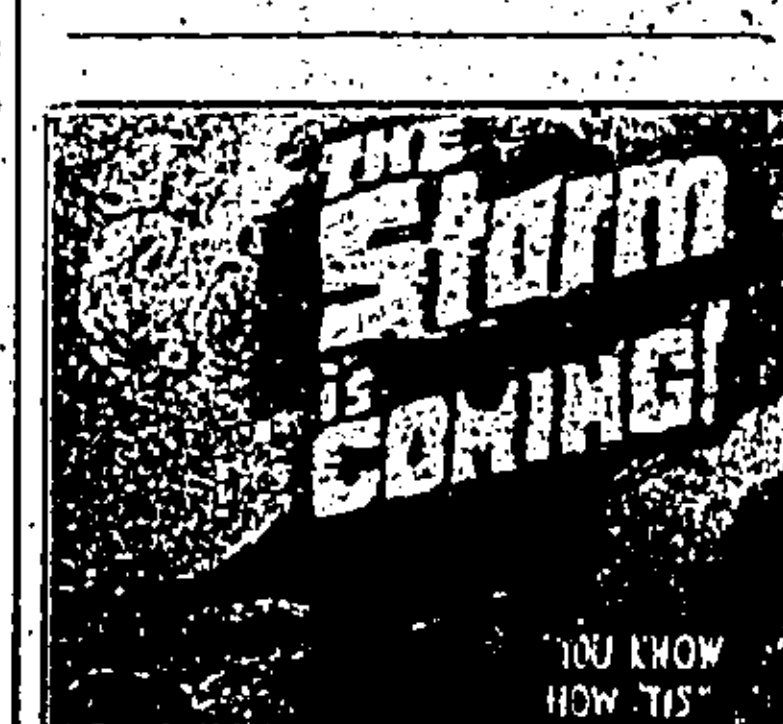
CLUB, ARMY AND NAVY.

The following have been selected to represent the Hongkong Cricket Club against the Army on Boxing Day, commencing at 10 a.m. on the Club ground. No play will take place on Xmas Day—T. E. Pearce (capt.) G. R. Sayer, E. B. Reed, L. J. Davies, R. E. A. Webster, H. Owen Hughes, G. A. Chadwick, B. D. Evans, E. J. R. Mitchell, Rav. E. K. Quick, A. A. Claxton.

The following have been selected to represent the Hongkong Cricket Club against the Navy on December 30th, at 2 p.m. and New Year's Day at 10 a.m. on the Club ground. Tiffin will be served in the Club Pavilion on December 30th, at 1 p.m.—R. Hancock (capt.), T. E. Pearce, G. R. Sayer, L. J. Davies, R. E. A. Webster, H. Owen Hughes, B. D. Evans, E. J. R. Mitchell, Rav. E. K. Quick, A. A. Claxton, E. B. Reed, A. E. Wood (12th man).

WAYFOONG v. CLUB 2ND.

The following will play for Wayfoong against Hongkong C. O. 2nd XI on Saturday December 23.—E. D. Black, St. G. R. Clark, W. J. Clark, T. M. Leitell, H. A. Mabey, V. A. Mason, D. E. G. Nicholson, D. B. Peat, F. H. Pentecost (Capt.), T. W. Riddell and O. Skinner.



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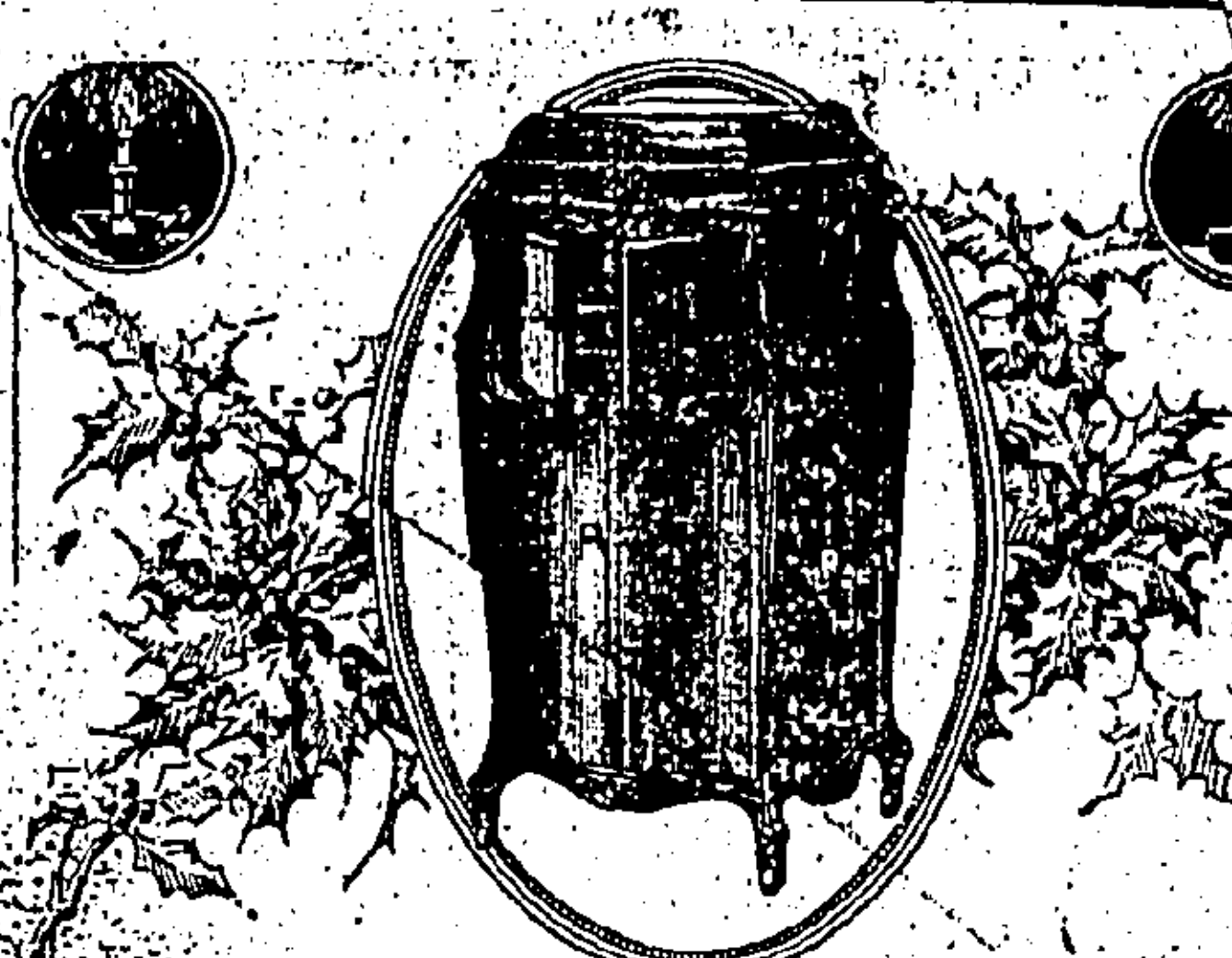
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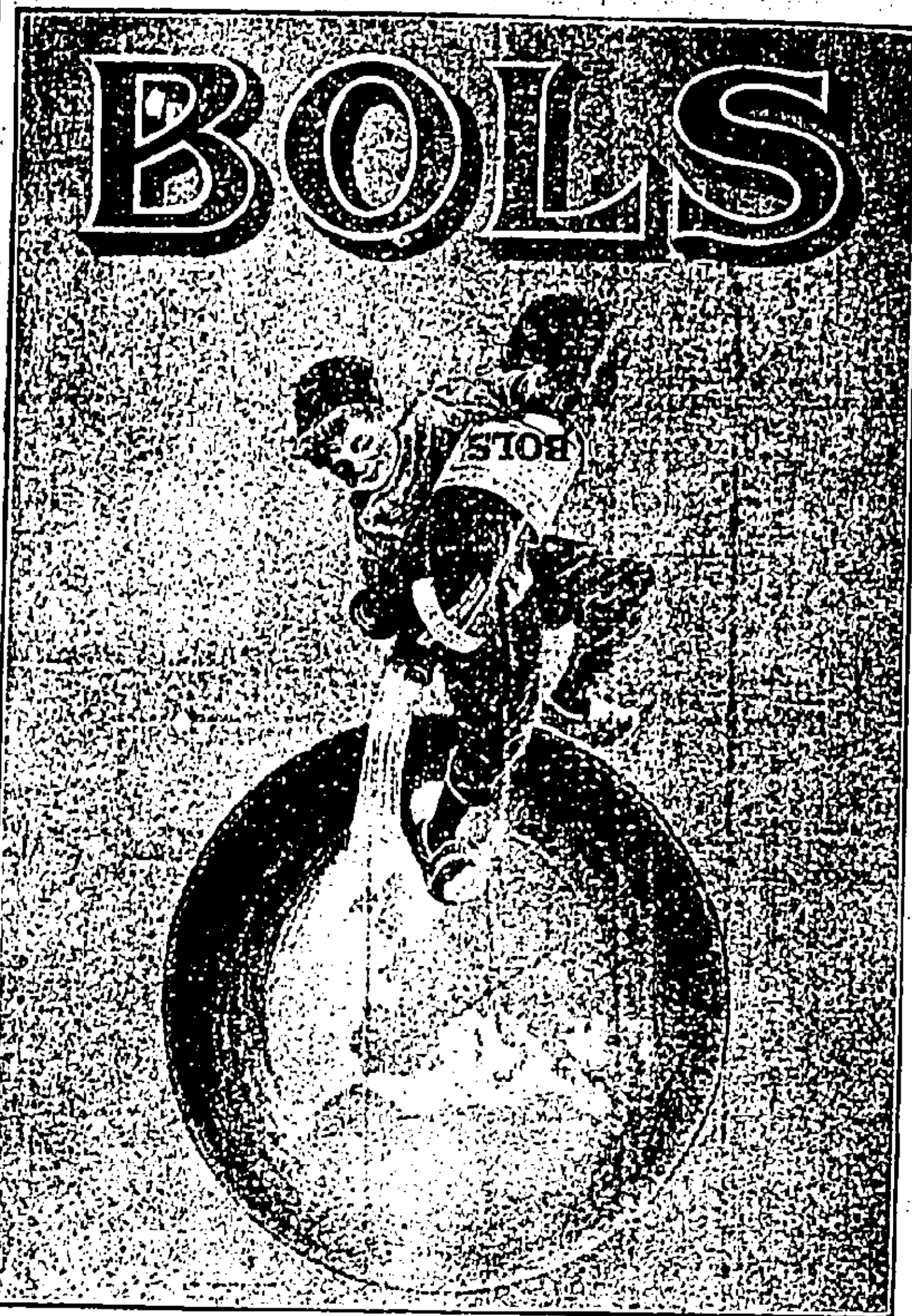
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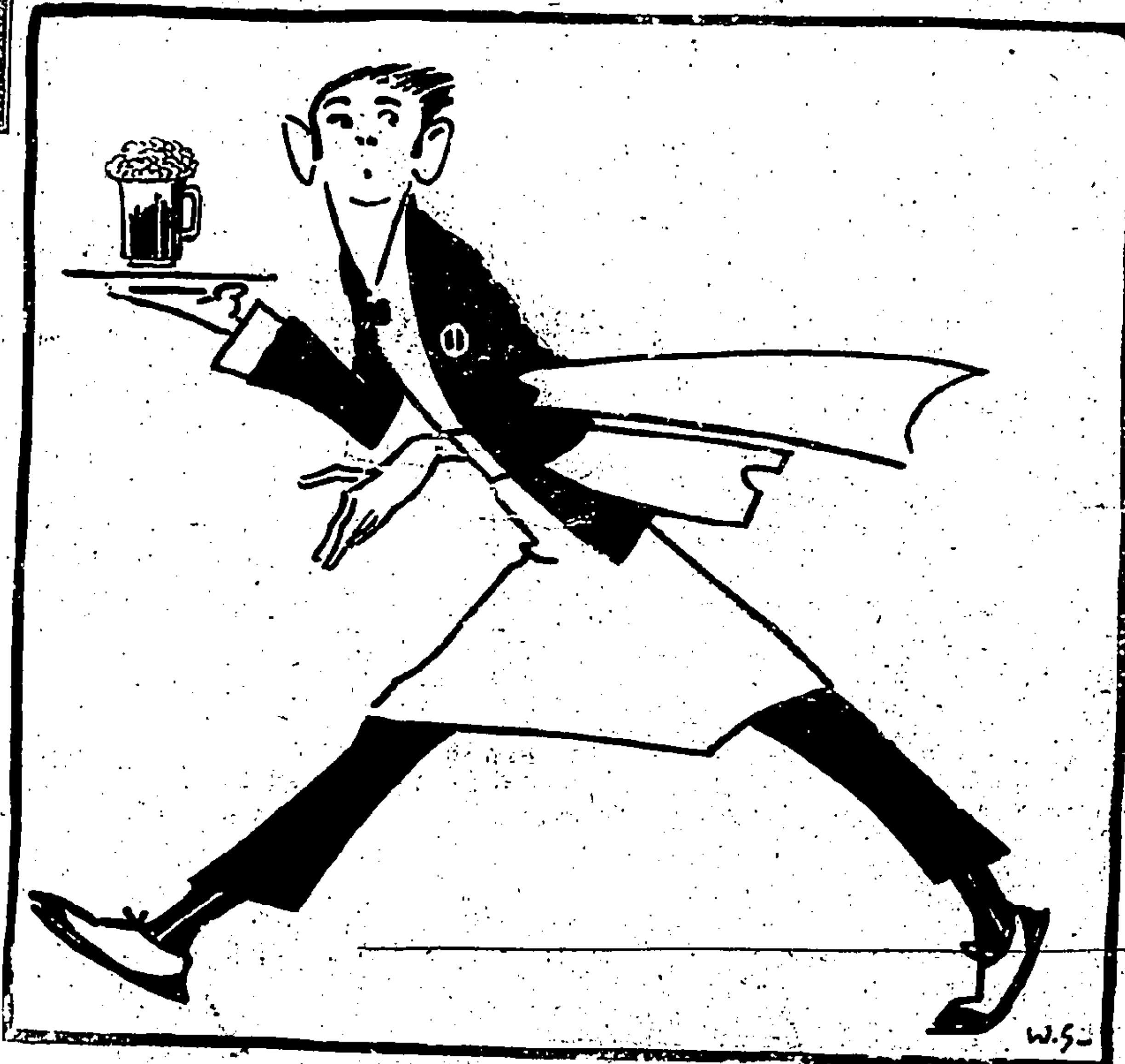
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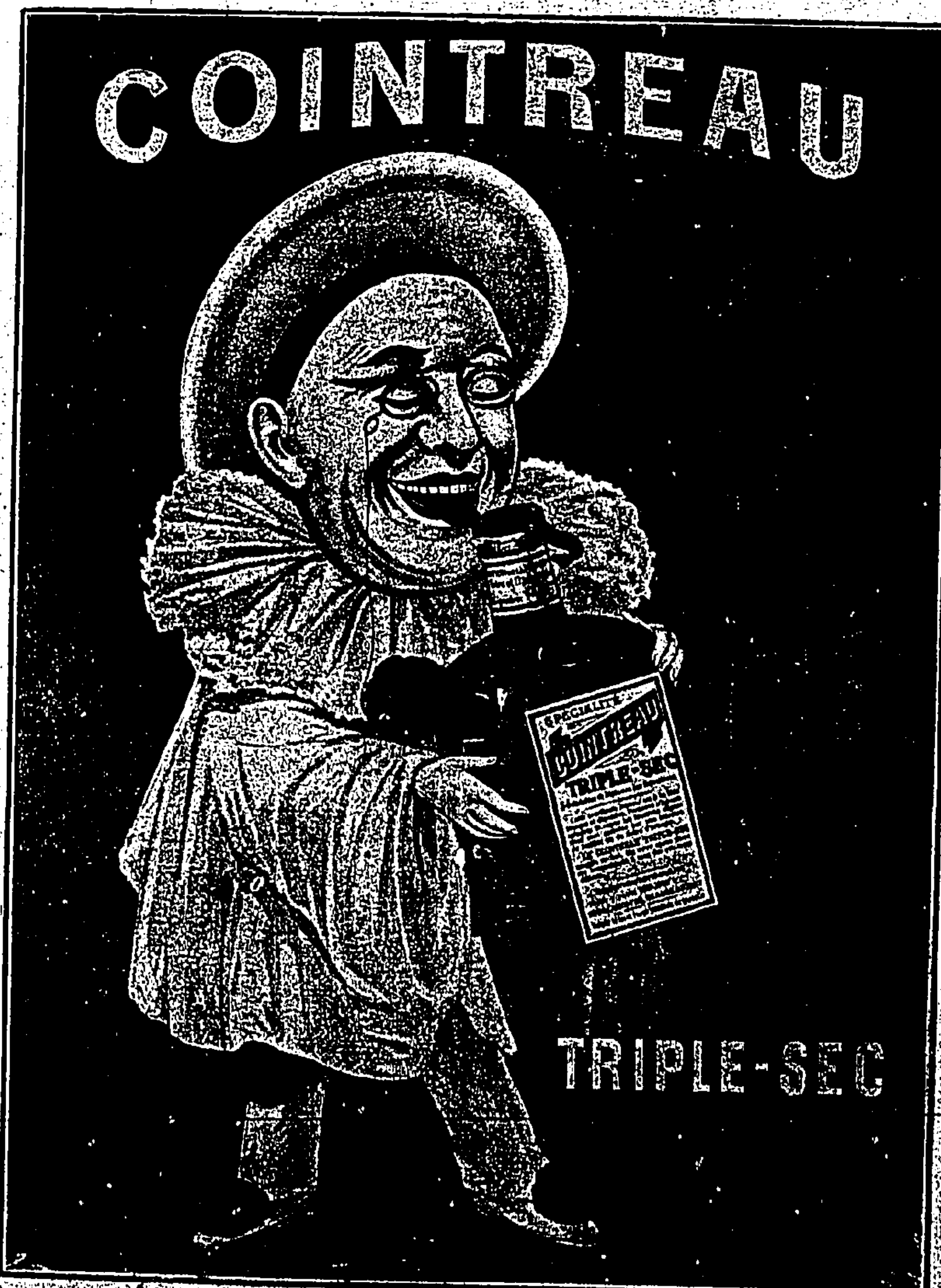
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W. Averill Harriman.

W. Averill Harriman, eldest son of the late E. H. Harriman and Chairman of the United American Steamship Lines, has sailed for a six months' business trip abroad in the interest of his vast shipping affairs.



Mrs. Mabel Champion.

Walter D. Meals (at desk), Mrs. Champion & John Orgill.

Are women's clothes an aid to defence in a criminal trial? That is a question that stirred psychologists in the trial of Mrs. Mabel Champion, in Cleveland, O., for the alleged murder of Thomas Connell, a Yale graduate. The trial attracted widespread attention, because Mrs. Champion appeared each day in a beautiful new black gown, said to have been selected with an eye to influencing the jurors.



Richard M. Tobin.

Richard M. Tobin, San Francisco banker and polo player, who may be appointed by President Harding as Minister to Greece.



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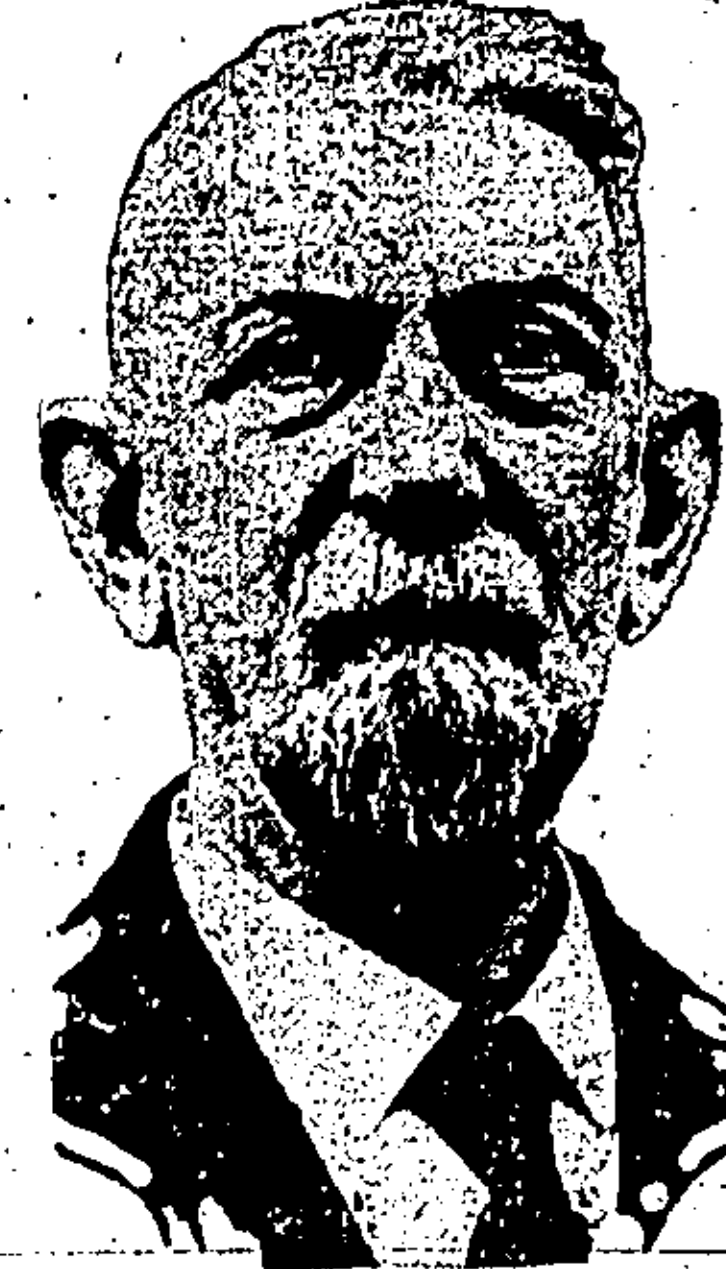
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Edward L. Chapin.

Edward L. Chapin, of New York, is the only surviving member of the One Hundred and Tenth New York Volunteers, of the Civil War. He is still hale and hearty at eighty-three.



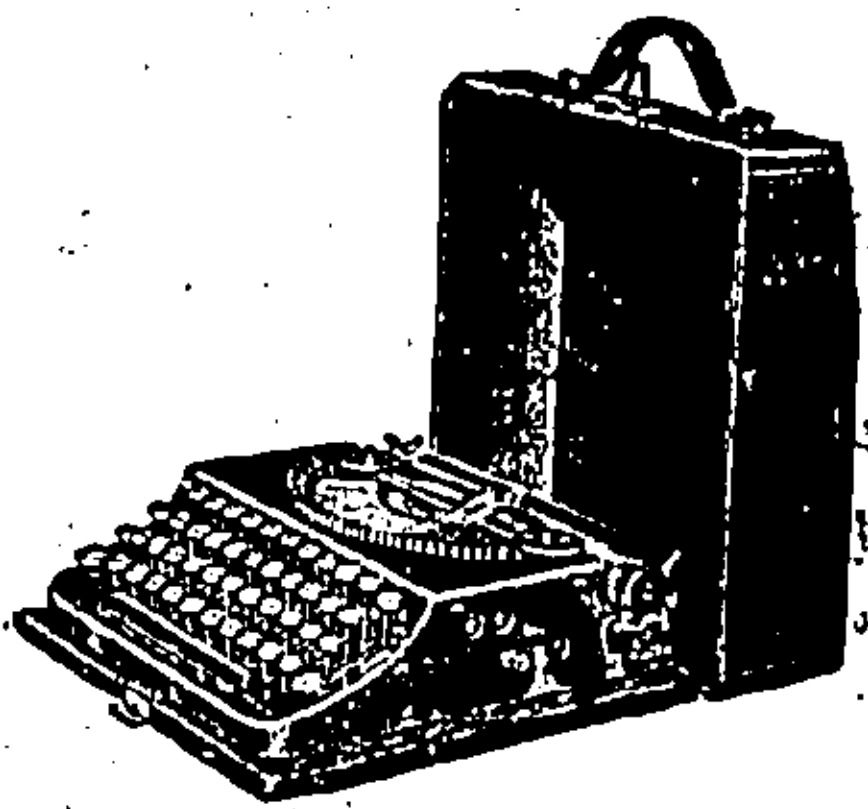
Mayor Martin Traverso.

Mayor Martin Traverso, of San Juan, Porto Rico, visited President Harding, with a request that he remove Governor Reilly and his regime and appoint a "big man" to the job.



Americans aid in Smyrna.

Photograph shows American sailors carrying a sick and aged refugee to one of the Near East Relief Committee's rescue ships anchored off the burned city of Smyrna. The man lying at the edge of the quay is a dying refugee for whom the terror and hardship proved too much.



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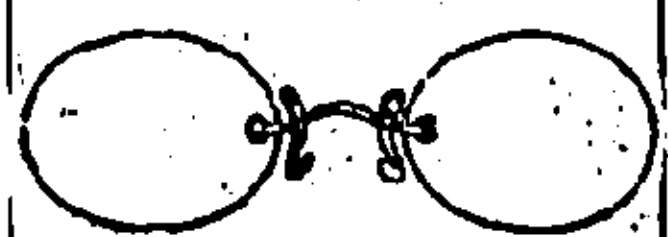
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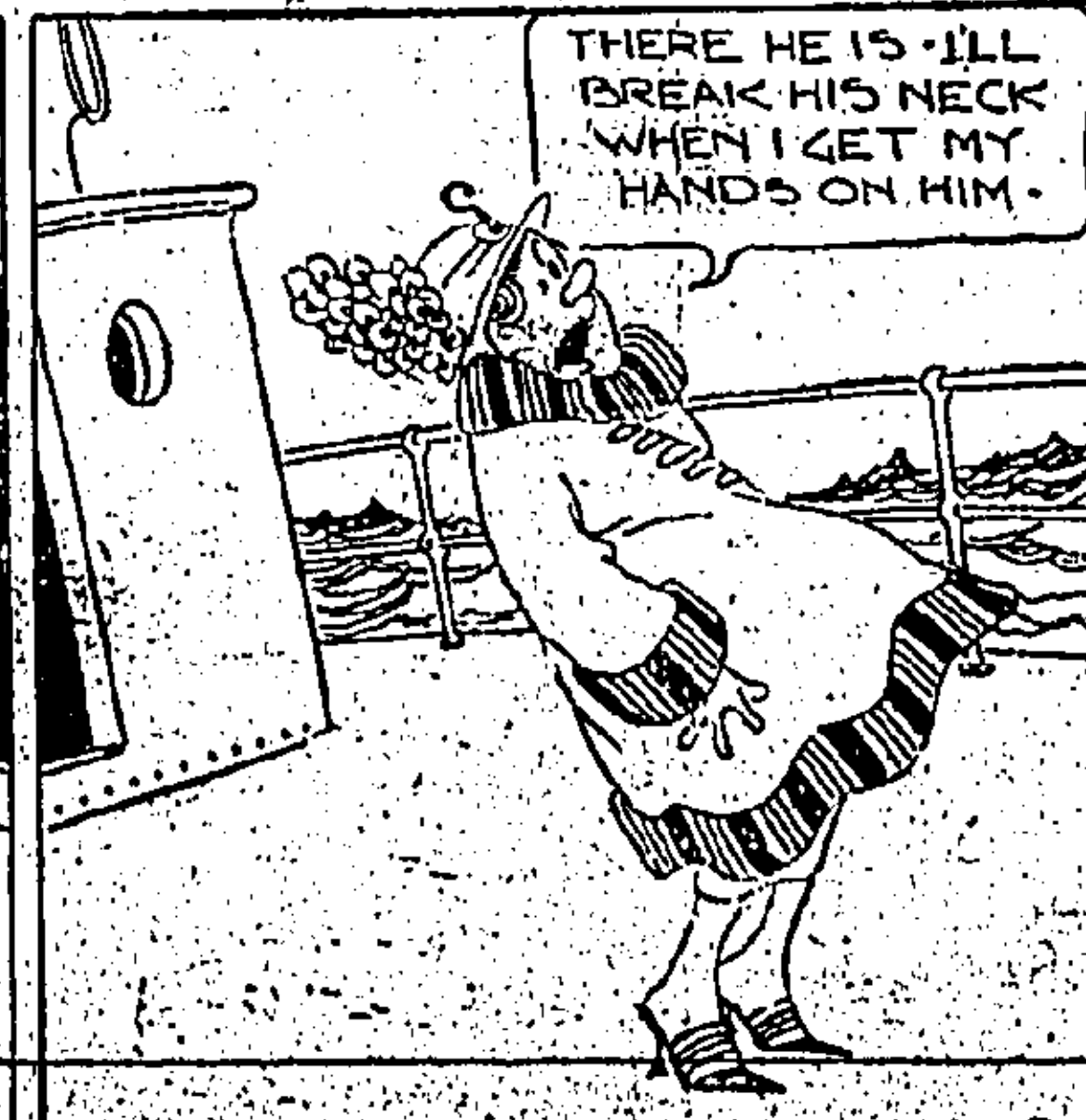
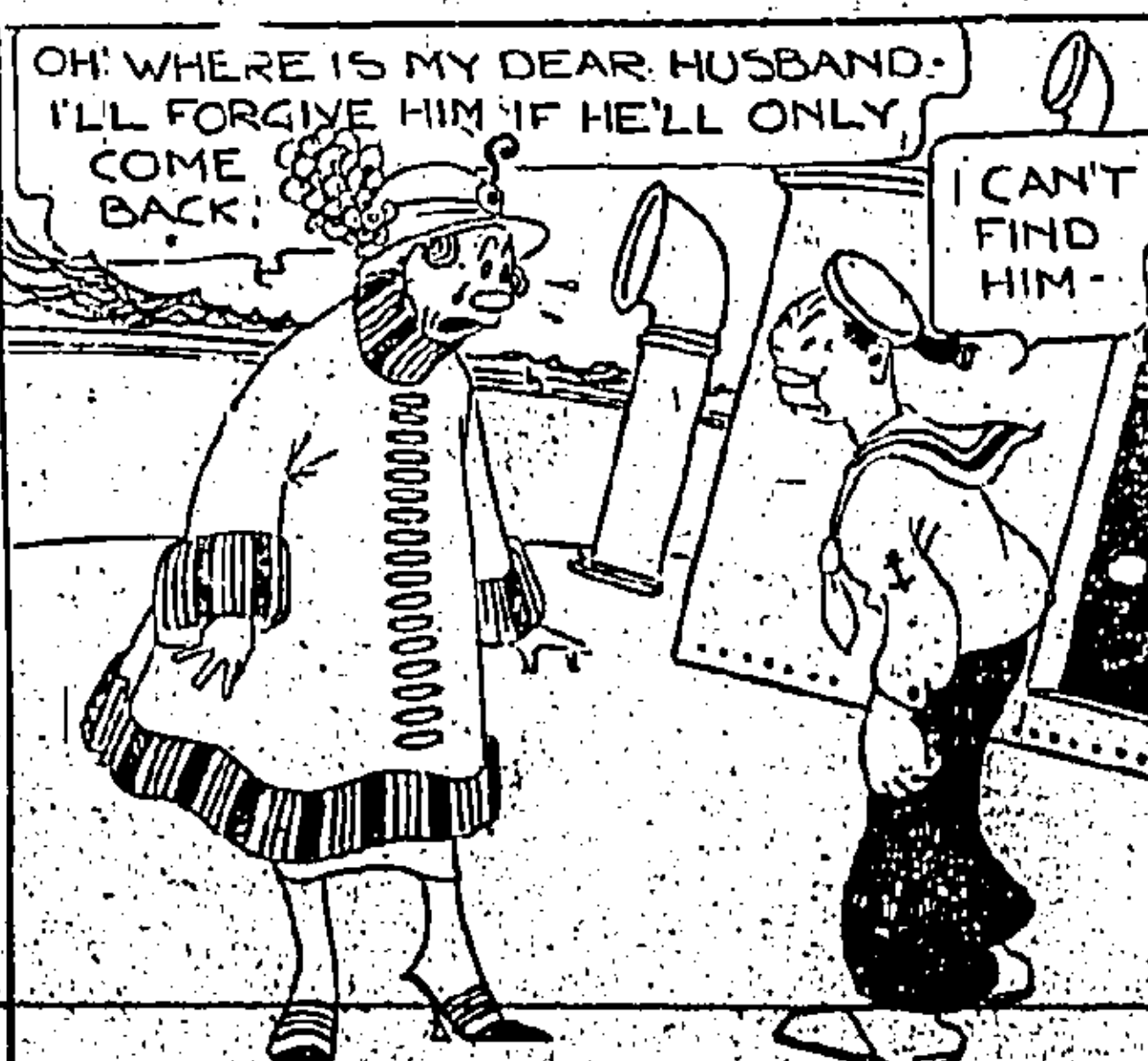
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SECRET MARK FORGED.

Tramping from Yauwatt to Mong-
 kok carrying a large parcel, a Chinese
 aroused the suspicion of a constable.
 The parcel was opened and inside
 were found 9,000 dutiable cigarettes
 of the "Hundred Sparrows" brand.
 When he was charged before Mr.
 J. R. Wood this morning, it was
 mentioned that the duty payable
 was \$42.75.

Interesting evidence was given by
 Mr. Taylor, Superintendent of the
 Revenue Department, who said that
 the department had special arrange-
 ments with certain tobacco companies
 whereby a secret mark was put on
 packets in which duty had been
 paid. All the packets defendant was
 carrying bore the mark, which how-
 ever, was a forgery.
 A fine of \$500 (or 4 months' jail)
 was imposed. The cigarettes were
 confiscated.

WAS IT A WOMAN?

ROBBER'S STRANGE ATTIRE.

A daylight robbery took place on
 the second floor of No. 55, Yuchow
 Street, Samsheupoo at 2.30 p.m. yester-
 day.

The mistress of the house, a maid
 and three children were the only in-
 mates of the flat at the time of the ro-
 bbery. They were all in the front room.
 The staircase door was closed but not
 locked. Suddenly three armed men,
 two with revolvers and the other with
 a dagger, rushed in. The leader was
 wearing a woman's velvet faced over-
 coat, and a woollen hood which
 covered the face. The work of binding
 and gagging the victims occupied
 only a few minutes, and then the
 robbers ransacked the flat stealing
 jewellery worth \$115 and \$27 in cash.
 Before departing, the leader discarded
 the overcoat and hood which were left
 behind.

The mistress of the flat is not sure
 whether the leader was a man or a
 woman.

FOOTBALL SUSPENSIONS.

The Hon. Secretary of the Hong-
 kong Football Association informs
 us that at a sitting of the Emergency
 Committee of the Association to
 consider the case of misconduct
 during the match "Ambrose"
 versus "Titanis" on November 29,
 it was decided to suspend Walsh of
 the "Ambrose" for one month from
 November 29; Batterham of the
 "Titanis" was suspended sine die.

CHINA CAST.

LATEST SHIPPING CHANGES.

Captain H. A. Warrell, from leave,
 has gone master, "Sunning."
 Captain J. E. Richards of the
 "Sunning," has gone master,
 "Kwangee."

Captain H. Souter of the
 "Kwangee," is on reserve.
 Mr. R. Allison, chief officer,
 "Suiyang," is on reserve.

Mr. D. D. Richards, from reserve,
 has gone chief officer, "Suiyang."
 Mr. L. Evans has been appointed
 second officer, "Lianchiow."

Mr. R. Wherry has been appointed
 second officer, "Wanheien."
 Mr. C. Nyberg, second officer,
 "Luanyi," is on reserve.

Mr. H. E. Jones, second officer,
 "Wuchang," has gone second officer,
 "Luanyi."

Mr. G. Tinker, third engineer,
 "Wangpu," has gone third engineer,
 "Yingchow."

Mr. W. C. Ruxton, third engineer,
 "Yingchow," has gone third engineer,
 "Wangpu."

Mr. A. C. McPherson, third engi-
 neer, "Socchow," is on reserve.
 Mr. J. J. Grant, from reserve, has
 gone third engineer, "Socchow."

Mr. G. W. Clark, second engineer,
 "Kinkiang," has gone second engi-
 neer, "Luchow."

Mr. J. Roberts, second engineer,
 "Luchow," has gone second engineer,
 "Kinkiang."

Mr. A. U. E. French, third engineer,
 "Hongchow," is on reserve.
 Mr. W. Orr, from reserve, has gone
 third engineer, "Hongchow."

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